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**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. 1.136(a))**

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated October 28, 2009 be extended for a period of 1 month from January 28, 2009 to February 28, 2009. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be \$130.

The required fee, estimated to be \$130, was charged to Novozymes North America, Inc.'s Deposit Account No. 50-1701 at the time of electronic filing. The USPTO is authorized to charge this Deposit Account should any additional fees be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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